

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Carolyn L. Greene on 2/5/10.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claims 18 and 19 are amended.

Please delete "allowing" from claim 18 (line 2) and insert "applying" at the place.

Please delete "allowing" from claim 19 (line 2) and insert "applying" at the place.

Claims 1-9, 14-19 and 21 are allowed.

Examiner thanks Attorney Carolyn Greene for her cooperation during the prosecution of this application.

Communication

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sabiha Qazi whose telephone number is (571)

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272-0622. The examiner can normally be reached on any business day except Wednesday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Krass Frederick can be reached on (571) 272-0580. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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